

Religious Items.

The life of a true Christian is like a beautiful river. It flows on in a steady even course. The storms of life may ruffle its surface, but the deep under-current moves on undisturbed.

When there is a revival we hear much about grieving the Holy Spirit; but there is infinitely more danger of grieving him when there are lacking the tender influences of the revival-season.

I once knew a pious old Scotchman whose son had succeeded remarkably in life and had built a princely mansion in a beautiful city. A lady was congratulating the old man on the event, when, with a quite little laugh, he answered: "Weel, he may ha'e a grand hoose, but I've a better." Yes, a house of many mansions, the masterpiece of the Architect of heaven and earth.—Dr. W. G. Blaikie.

There is a sunshine—a sunshine real and beautiful—which rests upon every good man's heart and home. The prayer is fulfilled now, as in the old time before us, "God be merciful unto us and bless us, and cause his face to shine upon us." I say not (for it would be the language of exaggeration if I did) that the light is never shadowed, that the blessed sunshine is never darkened by a bank of clouds. Our sins often hide from us our Savior; our discontent often glooms the heavens; our hearts often turn away from God. But the light breaks in upon us again. We renew our vows and return unto the Lord, and we find that the clouds have arisen from the miasma of our sins, or from the Dead Sea of our skepticism, or have been lifted up from the waters of discontent within us.—Rev. W. M. Statham.

A Great Movement.

According to the statistical report of the Sunday schools in the United States rendered at the late International Convention held in Chicago, there has been an increase in the scholar membership of all the Sunday schools in the U. S. since 1884 of 365,645. It is interesting to know by what agencies this increase has been secured for it shows that a great missionary work has been done to bring an army of 365,000 into active membership with our Sunday schools. No more important work can be conceived of for it has to do with the destiny of our entire country.

The three last Annual reports of the American Sunday School Union, the old denominational Society "that cares for the children," who are provided for by no one else, show that since 1884, it has brought 185,034 children into 4,947 new Sunday schools, a number equal to 5000 more than one half of all the increase reported as having been secured by this and all other agencies during these three years. But this American Sunday School Union did more than this—it aided 4,825 other schools, which have 46,774 teachers and 515,714 scholars,—so that in these three years it reached 9,872 communities and Sunday schools, and 700,748 children, and youth, and then reaided and revisited these schools 9,245 times besides making 92,584 visits to families, supplying 45,019 destitute persons with the scriptures and holding 27,247 religious meetings. That there is great need for more of just such work in our country is evident from the fact that according to the International Secretary's report there are but 8,034,478 scholars in all the Sunday schools in the United States, that report to this convention, which the chairman of the Executive Committee said was five per cent too small. If five per cent were added, we have 8,436,291 scholars in all our Sunday schools. But the statement was made that 20 per cent should be deducted for those over 21 and under six years of age and those who attend more than one school and are counted twice; which deducted would leave 6,748,961 children and youth of school age in all our Sunday-schools, while there are at least 9,000,000 more child-

ren of that age in our country, and very likely most of them attend no Sunday school.

Truly the American Sunday School Union is doing a great work, for present and future America, for which there is most urgent need. Any who would like to read its last annual report, or aid its work by gift of funds may send to Rev. C. N. POND, Sup't, OBERLIN, OHIO.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., Sept. 18, 1882. Messrs. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.: Have taken Hall's Catarrh Cure. Had catarrh all my life; am 48 years old. Had asthma 19 years, and a dreadful cough for 5 years. Have taken everything; went to the Hot Springs; I have doctored with the doctors here; I have done nothing but take medicine for 19 years. When I commenced using Hall's Catarrh Cure I was almost dead. I sent for the doctor the day I got Hall's Catarrh Cure, and I told him that I would die any way and that I would try your medicine. I was very bad. How I suffered for 9 years! I could hardly breathe at times. I saw Hall's Catarrh Cure advertised in the papers and commenced taking it. I would have been under the ground to-day if it had not been for that. I have not had one bad spell of coughing since. In breathing my head feels well and I am well. It has done me a thousand dollars worth of good. There are ten of my friends, on seeing what it had done for me, taking it, and it is helping them. I only wish that every one who has catarrh, asthma and a bad cough could see me, so that I could tell them all to take it. All that know me here know how I have suffered. (I have been here since 1858,) and say to me that, "I am so glad you found something that could cure you." Everyone says, "how much better you look." The doctors say they are glad I found Hall's Catarrh Cure as they could not cure me.

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The July Cosmopolitan.

The July Cosmopolitan is the first number of this remarkably successful magazine published in New York city. Since its removal from Rochester, it has been greatly enlarged and improved in every way. Its handsome cover, designed by Stanford White, is certain to attract attention. Its beautiful illustrations and great variety of interesting and valuable articles by prominent writers make it the best and cheapest magazine published. It opens with a handsomely illustrated article by Louise Chandler Moulton, entitled "A Lazy Tour in Spain." The frontispiece, "In a Madrid Cafe," engraved by Velten, is beautiful. "Monte Carlo: Its Games and Gamblers," by Charles C. Welman, is another handsomely illustrated article that is certain to attract attention, being a full and picturesque description of the most famous gambling resort in the world. E. W. Kemble's illustrations accompanying Mrs. Angelina Teal's story, "A Hoosier Capulet," are full of quaint humor. The fac-simile signatures accompanying Frank G. Carpenter's article on "Royal Signatures" possess much interest. E. P. Roe's article on "My First Novel," giving an account of how he came to write "Barriers Burned Away" will be read by the thousands of admirers of this popular writer. "How to Live a Hundred Years," by Richard A. Proctor, demonstrates the fact that three score and ten is not the natural limit of human life. Joel Benton's "Reminiscences of Horace Greeley," with a fine portrait by Jacques Reich, is valuable and interesting. George Parsons Lathrop's "Two Sides of a Story" is the best short story, that he ever wrote, while the "Tamara of St. Petersburg" is a powerful Russian story. The "Young Folk's" department contains several articles of interest to the younger members of the family.

A Card.

All my ancestors, on father's and mother's side, for more than a hundred years, were members of the German Baptist church.

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My reason for working amongst the Brethren have been given heretofore; but one, for prudential reason, has been withheld: you know for the last ten or fifteen years nearly all trades and professions have been under the ban of trades, unions and professional associations. To go into detail, would fill a volume, while a hint here will suffice to show that by utilizing my large acquaintance amongst the brethren, I could continue to stand aloof from all secret societies.

I have always exercised much caution in every department of my business; not only in the compounding of my medicines, but have carefully avoided even the appearance of infringing on the rights of others and my local agents may congratulate themselves that they are working with one whose rights are fully protected, and whose methods are correct.

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DR. PETER FAHRNEY, Chicago, Ill.

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(New York, Lake Erie & Western R. R. Co., Lessee) Railroad Time Table.

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TIME OF TRAINS AT ASHLAND.

EAST.		
Train 2,	Passenger	8:12 P. M.
" 4,	St. Louis Limited	2:05 P. M.
" 8,	New York Express	1:31 A. M.
" 12,	Atlantic	6:41 A. M.
" 38,	Local Freight	10:24 A. M.

WEST.		
Train 1,	Chicago & Cin. Ex.	5:42 A. M.
" 3,	Pacific Express	9:12 P. M.
" 5,	Chicago, St. Louis Limited	12:04 P. M.
" 7,	Accommodation	8:00 P. M.
" 11,	"	10:24 A. M.
" 37,	Local Freight	2:45 P. M.

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Calendar.

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